

WYOGRAMS

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1950

Winona Munari, B.S. '58, home economics, and **Anton Munari, B.S. '56, M.S. '58**, civil engineering, celebrated their 60th anniversary on 8/27/16.

1960

Sam Barker, Ph.D. '66, chemistry, and **Florence Barker, M.S. '66**, chemistry, celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Ed Flaherty, B.A. '67, math education, was recently inducted into the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame.

Mary T. Schaub, B.A. '69, speech pathology, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus.

John Walker, B.S. '60, M.A. '65, physical education, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus.



Lin Bruce, B.S. '81, natural science and math, bicycled 660 miles to his high school reunion in Cheyenne at the age of 77.

Dr. Robert A. Zawacki (Bob), B.S. '63, M.B.A. '66 and **Jimmie L. Zawacki Exp. '66**, management and education, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this fall. They now live in Colorado Springs and at their ZZO Ranch in Guffey, Colo.

1970

Dr. Courtney V. Fletcher, B.S. '78, pharmacy, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus

Paul Hickey, B.A. '72, JD '75, history and law, was elected to the board of regents at its 66th annual meeting in Philadelphia.

Mike McCoy, B.A. '73, anthropology, retired after nearly 40 years with the Montana-based Adventure Cycling Association. Between 1994 and 1997 he mapped the Canada-to-Mexico (via Wyoming) Great Divide Mountain Bike Route, a trail that's credited with kickstarting the worldwide "bikepacking" movement.

1980

Michael Chumley, M.S. '94, B.S. '87, health education, has been selected as both the John V. Roach Honors College Professor of the Year and the winner of the Wassenich Award for Mentoring, both at Texas Christian University. He has also recently been promoted to chair of the Department of Biology at TCU and oversees the Neurobiology of Aging labs at TCU.



Nancy House, B.A. '76, geology, was selected as Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) as president-elect for 2016-17. Following her one-year term as president-elect, House will assume the office of SEG president in September 2017. She will become the second woman to serve as SEG president since the society's founding in 1930. SEG, established in 1930, is a not-for-profit organization that connects the world of applied geophysics. The society, based in Tulsa, Okla., fulfills its mission through its publications, conferences, forums, educational opportunities and multiple website resources. Her professional career has focused on the application of leading-edge geophysical interpretation for multinational corporations as well as small independent oil companies.

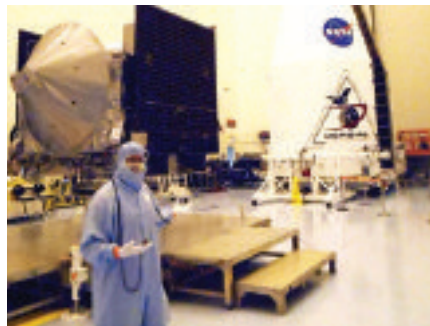
Mark Collins, M.S. '81, M.P.A. '91, accepted a position as the new administrator for the city of Sheridan. Collins was formerly UW's associate vice president for operational administration. He is returning to career in city management and administration, which has been a very important part of his professional career.



Greg Hill, B.S. '83, mechanical engineering, will chair an executive steering committee of Gov. Matt Mead, the ENDOW Initiative. This initiative is a comprehensive effort to improve the state's economy. Hill is a senior executive with the Hess Corp.

Todd Lennon, B.S. '87, social work, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus.

Leissa Roberts, B.S. '81, nursing, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus.



Benjamin Bryan, B.S. '03, architectural engineering, played an integral role in launching a spacecraft to explore an asteroid in our solar system, the OSIRIS-REx. It launched into space Sept. 8 and will travel to "Bennu," a carbonaceous asteroid whose rocky material may record the earliest history of our solar system.

1990

Curtis Claar, B.A. '92, journalism, successfully completed the Road Runners Club of America's race director certification course.

Michelle (Shelly) Gams, B.S. '93, business administration, has been named to the Accounting and Financial Woman's Women of Influence board.

Judy Huch, B.S. '91, speech language, was recently appointed as commissioner for the Arizona Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Thomas Hudson, B.S. '90, physical education, the Laramie High School swimming and diving coach, was named National Coach of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.

Cody Johnson, B.S. '90, physical education, M.S. '94, food science and nutrition, is the associate pastor for youth and family life

at Snowy Range Evangelical Free Church in Laramie.

Blaine T. Ruby, B.S. '96, food science, has been selected as a UW School of Pharmacy 2016 distinguished alumnus.

Nancy Stutzman, B.S. '95, finance, has retired as the president of Laramie's ANB Bank after working in the banking industry for nearly 40 years.

Eric D. Yordy, B.S. '94, accounting, associate professor of business law at Northern Arizona University's W.A. Franke College of Business was elected to serve on the executive committee of the Academy of Legal Studies in Business.

2000

Michael Huntington, B.A. '09, Ph.D. '15, education and mathematics, was chosen by the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation as a member of its 2016 cohort of Teaching Fellows.



Ugo Udezue, B.S. '01, communications, is the CEO of the African Basketball League. He is a change maker who is shaking up the status quo and help build a better Africa. Udezue's love affair with basketball began at a young age, which led to him representing the Nigerian national team and offered him opportunities to go to the United States. Udezue was a standout player for the Cowboys from 1997-2001. Upon graduating from UW, Udezue became an agent in the NBA, and it was his experiences working at the pinnacle of the sport which eventually led to the creation of the African Basketball League. He is working hard to create opportunities for talented African players. Udezue hopes the African Basketball League, modeled after the NBA, can provide both a social and economic platform for Nigeria. The African Basketball League has grown quickly and currently consists of six teams playing in four different countries. Udezue lived in Denver and continues his work as an agent.

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Darcee Snider, B.A. '07, communications, received an award from Southern Public Relations Federation for her outstanding work in public relations.

2010

Mike Achacoso, MBA '13, was recently named vice president of marketing for HollyFrontier Corp.'s U.S. fuels marketing division. His previous assignment was vice president and refinery manager for HollyFrontier's Cheyenne refinery.

Faryn Babbitt, B.S. '11, communication, has been promoted to executive director of the Albany County Safe Project

Dr. Ashely M. Bowland, B.S. '12, family and consumer science, has joined Rodney Hill DDS in Casper.

Mason Finley, Exp. '14, theater and dance, placed 11th in the Olympic discus. He was the first American to compete in the finals rounds since 2004.



Rachel Ryckman, J.D. '09, and **Alex Obrecht, J.D. '13**, a son, Maksim Arthur Obrecht on 7/18/16.



Holly (Hunter) Wheeler, B.A. '12, anthropology, is participating in a fellowship in New Delhi, India, where she is an English teacher at Shyama Prasad Vidyalaya Senior Secondary School.

Andrew Joannides, B.S. '11, communication, is the assistant athletic director for development at Northern Illinois University.

Sagan (Hunsaker) Wheeler, B.A. '10, communication, **M.S. '13**, counseling, recently became the human resources generalist at Ivins Memorial Hospital in Laramie.

Weddings

Kaitlyn Bragdon, B.S. '15, psychology and **Thomas Peel, B.S. '16**, married 6/4/16.

Brooke Renee Arnold, B.S. '10, M.S. '12, accounting, and **Brian Rochelle**, married 8/27/16.

Michelle Sodeman, B.A. '14, elementary education and **Lucas Johnson**, married 4/26/16.

Ryan Drake, B.S. '09 and **MS. '10**, accounting, and **Laughlin Potvin**, married 7/27/16.

Arrivals

Kyle Bryan Hughes OD, B.S. '06, biology/physiology, and **Heidi Ann Hughes OD**, a daughter, **Lily Amalia Hughes** on 8/20/2016.

Alicia (Vonberg) Kerns, B.A. '10, education, and **Trent Kerns, B.S. '07**, rangeland ecology and watershed management, a boy, **Carston Alexander Kerns** on 3/31/16.

Billie H. Sutton, B.S. '08, finance, and **Kelsea Sutton**, a boy, **William (Liam) John Sutton** on 4/29/16.

In Memoriam

Thomas Bell, B.S. '48, M.S. '57, zoology and physiology, 8/30/16. A famed Wyoming conservationist and UW honorary doctorate recipient, Bell is survived by his children, 20 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and 10 nieces and nephews.

Donald F. Cardinal, B.S. '58, geology, 6/27/16. Survivors include his wife, three daughters, son and others.

Christopher De Young, B.S. '97, B.S. '99, psychology and nursing, 9/21/16. Survivors include his wife, two children, mother, stepfather and others.

Peggi Highfill Duell, B.S. '88, economics, 8/3/16. Survivors include her two daughters and their husbands and a granddaughter.

Ronald L. Davis, B.S. '61, agriculture, 5/14/16. Survivors include his wife, two children and three grandchildren.

Verne Allen Hamlin, B.A. '59, social science, 10/7/16. Survivors include his wife, daughter, son and others.

Richard "Dick" Hartwell, B.S. '58, petroleum engineering, 4/22/16. Survivors include friends, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Leon Hetherington, B.S. '60, geology, **J.D. '67,** 8/3/16. Survivors include his wife, stepson and two granddaughters.

Roy A. Holcomb, B.S. '82, 3/20/15. Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline, and his three sons, Charles, Peter and Thomas of Westfield, Ind.

Mary Pond Hopkins, B.A. '60, M.A. '71, music and music education, 7/11/16. Survivors include two sons, a brother and others.

Tolin W "Nick" Hodgell, B.S. '63, business administration. Survivors include his wife, three daughters and six grandchildren.

Everett Killman, B.S. '64, Ph.D. '73, civil engineering, 9/13/16. Survivors include two sons and three grandchildren.

James J. Finnerty, B.S. '65, M.S. '73, chemistry and science, 6/8/16. Survivors include his wife, children, grandchildren and others.

Harold Fosher, B.S. '57, animal production, 8/2/16. Survivors include his wife, son and four grandchildren.

Jo-Ann Garberg, B.A. '66, elementary education, 8/5/16. Survivors include her husband, children, stepchildren and grandchildren.

Carolyn Kay (Kelley) Sorensen, B.A. '60, sociology, 04/21/16. Survivors include her son, sister and others.

Sandra "Sandy" Joy Lowry, '84, 9/19/16. Survivors include her son, grandchildren and others.

Joyce Tate Harriett-Lowden, B.A. '50, psychology. 1/24/16. Kappa Kappa Gamma. Survivors include two daughters, two sons, grandchildren and others.

Raymond "Lee" Malody, B.A. '56, M.Ed. '65, music education, 12/30/15. Survivors include his five children, brother-in-law and grandchildren.

Susan Kamm Milligan, B.S. '72, biology education, 6/5/16. Survivors include her husband, two daughters and son.

Earl Douglas O'Dell, B.S. '49, electrical engineering, **B.A. '50,** physics and chemistry secondary education, **B.A. '50,** math secondary education, **M.A. '60,** education administration, **Ed.D. '63,** education administration, 8/22/16. Survivors include his sister, three sons, daughter and others.

Margaret Burns Page, Exp. '49, education, 7/4/16. Survivors include her four children, 11 grandchildren and others.

Lois Payton, B.A. '85, art, 6/19/16. Survivors include her husband, mother and brother.

Joe Pinter, B.A. '71, elementary education, 8/24/16. Survivors include his wife, three children and others.

Beth Radich, B.A. '83, M.A., '89, special education, 7/25/16. Survivors include her parents, siblings and others.

Lynn Rees, J.D., '48, law 9/10/16. Survivors include children, sister, grandchildren and others.

UW AUTHORS CORNER



***Clock Strikes Three* by John Bradford Branney, B.S. '77,** geology, is his seventh novel. Our parents have conditioned us from an early age to trust our doctors. Most people believe that doctors have their patients' best interests at heart. What happens when a well-respected psychiatrist believes he is above the law and he manipulates his patients to get them to carry out a twisted form of vigilante justice?



***Inga* by Scott Farris, B.S. '79,** journalism, **M.A. '04,** history. Inga Arvad was the great love of President John F. Kennedy's life and also Adolf Hitler's special guest at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. She was an actress, a foreign correspondent, a popular Washington columnist, an explorer who lived among a tribe of headhunters, one of Hollywood's most influential gossip columnists and a suspected Nazi spy.



***Black Hills* by Jennifer Schneider, M.F.A. '12,** creative writing, and Franklin Schneider. When Brooklyn private investigator Alice Riley reluctantly travels to Whitehurst, S.D., to investigate an assault charge against her ex-boss's husband, she discovers more than just a tawdry small-town scandal.

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David Robbins, B.S. '59, geology, 5/11/16. Survivors include his wife, three daughters and grandchildren.

Russell A. Spalding Jr., B.S. '54, journalism, 7/23/16.

Earl D. "Butch" Scott, Exp. '60, 9/24/16. Survivors include his wife, children and grandchildren.

Richard Taedter, B.A. '88, education, 8/16/16.

Larry Talovich, B.S. '58, animal production, 8/12/16. Survivors include his wife, three sons and others.

George Tope, B.A. '51, zoology, 6/2/16. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, sister and grandchildren.

L. Glen Wadsworth, B.A. '72, theater and dance, 8/6/16. Survivors include his mother and two sisters.

Glenn Walker, B.S. '60, electrical engineering, 8/19/16. Survivors include his son and grandchildren.

Neil Weidner, B.S. '71, zoology, 7/3/16. Survivors include his wife, brother and other family.

Warrack Willson, Ph.D. '71, chemical engineering, 6/15/15. Survivors include his wife, two children, four grandchildren, one sister and others.

Della Vivion, B.A. '47, journalism, 8/11/16. Survivors include her three daughters, nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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Chris Prosinski, DB, B.S. '10, business administration, (2011 NFL Draft) Jacksonville Jaguars/Philadelphia Eagles/Chicago Bears (2011-present)



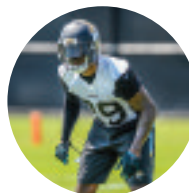
Mark Nzeocha, LB, B.S. '14, finance, (2015 NFL Draft) Dallas Cowboys (2015-present)



Marqueston Huff, DB, Exp. '13, communication, (2014 NFL Draft) Tennessee Titans (2014-present)



Mitch Unrein, DT, B.A. '09, criminal justice, (2010 free agent) Houston Texans/Denver Broncos/San Diego Chargers/Chicago Bears (2010-present)



Tashaun Gipson, FS, B.A. '15, communication, (2012 NFL free agent) Cleveland Browns/Jacksonville Jaguars (2012-present)



Mike Purcell, NT, B.A. '12, criminal justice, (2013 NFL free agent) San Francisco 49ers (2013-present)



Eddie Yarbrough, DE, B.A. '15, communication, (2016 NFL Draft) Denver Broncos (2016-present)